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## **Underground Storage Tanks (UST) Certification**

On February 7, 1991, 815 KAR 30:060 became effective. Any person, firm or corporation that installs, removes or makes repairs to underground petroleum storage tank systems (UPST) must be certified by the Hazardous Materials Section of the Division of Fire Prevention.

There are 4 types of UST certifications – installer/remover, remover only, cathodic protection and tank liner. On the right side of your 2008 renewal card indicates the type that each UST contractor has. A certified UST contractor can only perform the type of work that they are certified for.

A certified UST Installer/Remover contractor must be present on site for each of the following activities:

1. Preparation of the excavation immediately prior to receiving backfill or a component of the UPST system
2. Setting of the UPST system, including placement of an anchoring device, backfilling to the level of the UPST system and strapping
3. Installing piping and its components, field coating, or corrosion protecting piping and its components
4. Actual excavation of an existing UPST system
5. Actual performance of a repair to the UPST system
6. Connection of a component of the piping during the repair project
7. Final inspection and pressure testing of a component of the tank or piping component of the UPST system or its associated piping during the repair project
8. Completion of the backfilling and filling of the excavation
9. Replacement of a piping valve, fill pipe, vent, leak detection device, or spill and overfill protection device
10. Addition of a leak detection device or spill and overfill device.
11. Cleaning and purging of a UPST system
12. Filling of a UPST system with an inert solid material
13. All testing associated with the cleaning and purging processes
14. Disconnection or capping of a component of the UPST system during the closing

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A certified UST Remover contractor must be present on site for each of the following activities:

1. Cleaning and purging of a UPST system
2. Filling of a UPST system with an inert solid material
3. All testing associated with the cleaning and purging processes
4. Disconnection or capping of a component of the UPST system during the closing

A certified UST Interior Lining contractor must be present on site for each of the following activities:

1. Cleaning and purging of a UPST system
2. Excavation of the tank top
3. Cutting of the top of the tank
4. Entry of the tank
5. Preparation of the interior of the tank
6. Application of the lining of the tank
7. Closing and testing of the tank

A certified UST Cathodic Protection contractor must be present on site for each of the following activities:

1. Excavation of a UPST system
2. Installation of an approved corrosion protection system

A certified contractor can hold more than one type of certification. If a certified contractor holds installer/remover, cathodic protection and tank liner certification, the contractor will be certified to perform any/all work on UPST systems. If you would like to hold an additional certification type than what you are currently certified, you will need to submit a completed application with \$300, \$50 exam fee and successfully pass the written examination. The written examination is given once a month.

You can obtain an UST certification packet on our website at: <http://ohbc.ky.gov/fp/hazmat/hazmatformspub.htm> or feel free to contact our office. If you have any questions, please call the Hazardous Materials Section at 502-573-1702.